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[redacted] a camp occupied by between 800 and 1,000 soldiers and guarded by sentries with black-bordered black epaulets was seen in the forest near Pforta southeast of Bad Koesen (M 52/J 73). About 300 soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets received field training and practiced with rifles, submachine guns and machine guns in the area north of the woods. Two areas surrounded by barbed wire in which soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets were seen, were located northwest of Kuckulau on the bank of the Saale River. Two low wooden buildings, 16 half-pontoons, 1 motor boat and numerous bridge building equipment were in the southern area, and three low wooden buildings or sheds, 15 half-pontoons and bridge building equipment were in the northern area. A pontoon bridge had already been constructed half-way across the river. [redacted] *

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* [redacted] Comment. The present report is forwarded only because of the information on locations contained therein. [redacted]

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